

# ARMY OF TWO MILLION EQUIPPED IN YEAR, PLAN OF U.S., SAYS SECRETARY

## Newton D. Baker Also Tells Senate Investigating Committee Soldiers in France Have Been Well Supplied with Arms and Ammunition.

Persistence by Secretary of War Baker in defending the acts of all officials concerned in preparing the American army for its task in France led to sharp clashes today before the Senate Military Affairs Committee.

Senator McKellar, of Tennessee, took particular exception to Mr. Baker's defense of Charles Eisenman, chairman of the committee of the Council of National Defense having to do with army uniforms, who has been under fire of the committee.

Defends, Helpers.  
Mr. Baker said he could approve everything done by Mr. Eisenman that had come to his attention. Further on in his testimony the Secretary declared the preparedness program is adequate to equip an army of 2,000,000 men and put them in the field within one year. "You give the impression that every camp has enough rifles," said Senator Weeks. "How can you confirm that with the statement that there were no requirements for artillery?"

"I did not make that statement," replied the Secretary. "But you gave the committee that impression." "What I said was that 'initial rush needs' are filled." "You should have said your statement," said the Senator. "It now gives the country the impression that every need in the camps is supplied."

"It seems to me that France is bound to supply Italy with ordnance," commented Senator Chamberlain, later in the examination. "That is true," replied Mr. Baker. "But France has not intimated she could not supply our needs. I want the people to know that our soldiers in France have plenty of artillery and artillery ammunition."

"Probably," said Senator Chamberlain. "I would not say that. I have assurance that it is true," responded Mr. Baker.

"Many uniform manufacturers in New York have been unable to get contracts," said Senator Wadsworth. "I am sure that the Secretary of War is taking into the Quartermaster's Department by Gen. Gortals."

"All who could meet the requirements have been given contracts," answered Secretary Baker.

"After discussion regarding labor contracts," said Senator Wadsworth. "I understand that, now that the supply committee will disappear, Mr. Eisenman will be taken into the Quartermaster's Department by Gen. Gortals."

"I want to go on record," said Senator McKellar very hotly, "that as a member of this committee, I protest emphatically against the employment of Mr. Eisenman by the government."

"Your statement," replied Mr. Baker, "will be weighed."

"The revelations before this committee," said Mr. Baker, "do not think he ought to be further employed," persisted Senator McKellar.

"Well, I have been in fairly close observation of Mr. Eisenman's work, and may say that his zeal and desire to serve the government has been very patriotic."

"And you endorse him in every respect?"

"I endorse everything I know he has done," replied Mr. Baker.

"When it came to a discussion of artillery, the Secretary said: 'Gen. Crozier will alter his artillery program to conform to the demands of the war, and the productive capacity makes it possible.'"

"Senator McKellar said he had talked

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# SNAPPED AS BILLY TALKED AT THE TABERNACLE



"I give the devil no quarter and ask none." "God has your measure—and mine. He knows everything." "Don't be a sour-milk Christian. Smile! Smile! Smile!" "Get this—American girls are in as much danger as was Edith Cavell."

## FAMILY FOOD SUPPLY GETS "THIRTY DAYS"

### Time Limit Placed on the Amount to Be Stored in Homes.

Holding of more than thirty days' supply of food, whether by housewives, wholesalers, manufacturers, or retailers, will be construed as a violation of the law and followed up by speedy prosecution, the Food Administration announced last night.

The American people have got to be fed. There need be no fear, says the Food Administrator, "that our own supplies will not be protected, and if, as a result of misapprehension, any one should attempt to purchase foodstuffs for hoarding, it will be robbing the allies of just that amount and is a violation of the food law. We have ruled that the holding of more than thirty days' supplies by dealers, manufacturers, wholesalers and retailers constitutes hoarding and the purchase of more than usual amounts by consumers will likewise be so construed."

## WOULD TIGHTEN FOOD CONTROL

"Legislation is being considered," said the administrator, "by Mr. Levey and Senator Pomeroy for presentation to Congress for some further extension of the President's powers to enforce conservation in manufacturing trades and in public eating places. Although the majority have co-operated willingly and effectively, there is a minority which persists in not doing so."

"We cannot and will not export more than our savings for our own people must also be fed. The allies have reduced the bread ration to their people sharply the last few days. Every grain of wheat and every ounce of flour and bread saved now is exactly the amount supplied to some man, woman and child among the allies."

Repeated requests have come from the allies for this country to double the shipments of meat and pork.

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## Students Hear Billy Roast Agitators in Lauding College Men

By ARTHUR JOYCE.

Despite the bad weather last night—in the face of a heavy rain, snow and sleet—more than 10,000 persons crowded the Sunday Tabernacle and listened to Billy Sunday preach a bang-up sermon on how to succeed in life.

The evangelist was surprised at the size of the crowd that turned out to hear him, and seemed to inject more than the usual amount of "pep" into his talk, since it was one of the most strenuous, hot-off-the-griddle sermons he has preached during his campaign here.

Wholes I. W. W.  
It was "students' night" at the big wooden building and about 60 per cent of the audience was made up of students of the high schools, colleges and private schools in Washington. Some of the students came with their yells and the pine boards literally shook under the strains of the frequent "rah, rah, rah" and the "sah boom ah."

There was more in Billy's sermon than advice to the boy and girl student on how to "get by" in this world. He drilled into the war situation and slammed all over the wooden platform the "dastardly I. W. W. agitators," who have been going from one end of the United States to the other "with their dirty propaganda," trying to spread the belief that "America is a rich man's country."

"They lie!" shouted the evangelist. "They're a batch of calanthy howlers, and if I had my way I'd string them all to lamp posts. It isn't a rich man's country, or the country of any particular class of men. It's everybody's country. No worse lie ever crawled out of the pit of perfidy."

"Nobody has helped Uncle Sam put this war over more than the rich men," shouted the evangelist. "I've seen wealthy men drive up to the recruiting stations in automobiles and enlist, and I know of men who are accustomed to drawing down \$50,000 a year who have thrown up their high-salaries jobs and have put on the uniform of Uncle Sam as privates in the United States army, and who are sleeping on cots in barracks alongside those less fortunate in life."

Millionaires in Army.  
Billy told Jack Cuddey, son of the millionaire packer, whose home he visited in Pasadena, Cal., "Where's Jack?" Billy said he asked Mrs. Cuddey. And she told him "he

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## ICY, COLD RAIN BRINGS ANKLE DEEP SLUSH

### Street Car Traffic Demoralized by Unexpected Weather Conditions.

Ankle-deep in icy slush, Washington last night waded through the coldest and most disagreeable night of the winter. With the streets running rivers, crossings flooded with the coldest of water, pavements alternately icy and steaming, foot and vehicle traffic was virtually demoralized.

Starting in the early evening hours with a fine but moist snow, and a deal of wind, with the temperature well below the freezing point, the city weather, far from being the choice assortment of northern breezes and walling winds promised by the weather bureau, changed to a heavy cold rain that turned the early snowfall to a gray ooze that even penetrated supposedly waterproof overshoes.

Hundreds of Billy Sunday fans, who had gone to hear the great evangelist's evening sermon, were forced to stand in the driving rain, when a storm-created traffic snarl held up street car service for the better part of a half-hour.

Equally bad was the congestion at Dupont Circle, where scores of people just returning from the National Geographic Society lecture, had to wait many minutes for Mt. Pleasant cars. Bystanders counted a dozen Georgetown cars to one of the Mt. Pleasant line.

Snow Was Promised.  
With the announcement earlier in the day that a big snowstorm was headed for the District, Washingtoners had been braced for a snow and ice-pick, ready to "dig themselves out" in the morning. By midnight everyone had to admit that there was something radically wrong with either the Weather Bureau or the weather itself.

Although Billy Sunday as yet may not have made any calls for "trail blazers" at the big Tabernacle, there were a bunch of Washington people that hit "sawdust trails" yesterday. For long before midnight restaurant keepers were "dusting" walks with everything from sawdust to shavings, and from ashes to just ordinary dirt in an endeavor to keep late theater crowds from skidding right past their doors to the rival cafe next door.

And on top of all this nearly brand new weather came this disheartening report from the forecaster: "Continued cold rains or snow all today. Much colder tonight with a cold wave due some time around midnight." And summer twenty weeks away!

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# RUSSIAN PEACE PARLEY CHECKED WITH GERMANS INSISTENT ON DEMANDS

## Collapse of Negotiations Believed Near as Teuton Delegates Repudiate Pre- vious Proceedings and Indicate Ulti- matum—"Fight or Accept Terms."

Special Cable to The Washington Herald and New York Tribune.  
London, Jan. 11.—The negotiations at Brest-Litovsk continue, but they are not progressing. Dramatic incidents marked the resumption yesterday of the interrupted peace conference, the chief of these being the sudden assumption of a decidedly autocratic attitude on the part of the enemy delegates toward Trotsky's delegation.

It would seem that the pan-Germans have won a victory within Germany and sent their delegates back to Brest-Litovsk with orders to cancel all previous concessions.

Turn Down Russians.  
Von Kuehlmann himself declared the report of the previous proceedings to be a work of imagination and that all the preliminary peace conditions laid down by the central powers on December 25 were null and void.

The change of venue of the negotiations, demanded by the Russians, is flatly refused on the ground of entente interference. The war, von Kuehlmann threatened, will relentlessly continue if the negotiations fail.

This is a new note sounded by the Germans at Brest-Litovsk. Two weeks ago they seemed on the eve of making reasonable concessions, and yet they have now repudiated the terms of internal strife in Germany over the question of concessions to Russia may have been, there is little doubt about their attitude now.

Whether there has been a real change of policy through the pressure of Ludendorff, or whether the earlier concessions were made shams, it is impossible to tell, owing to the unreliable nature of rumors from the front.

But from reports received here today from Brest-Litovsk, it seems certain that the central powers have deliberately thrown down the gauntlet to the Russians. "Accept our terms or fight again" is their ultimatum.

German Blame Russia.  
The blood of renewed warfare in the East will be on Russia's conscience. The ink had not yet dried on extra editions containing this news, when Berlin announced in a virtually official manner that "Russia is to blame for the war."

Monday is the date on which the Russian ultimatum was finally scheduled to expire unless it was, by mutual consent, to "continue automatically."

Incidentally, it is Russian new year's day.

Today that clause in the armistice agreement which pertains to troop movements, expired.

A Berlin dispatch to London tells of a German army order to the troops in the East to cease fraternizing. Yesterday the Germans closed the Swiss and Dutch borders for thirty days.

Are more reserves moving from East to West? Or are those previously sent to the West front now to be moved back East?

Military experts had no key to answer these questions.

The spokesman of the central powers made lengthy statements, setting forth:

1. That the terms of the Christmas offer no longer stand because Russia's allies failed to join the negotiations as they were invited to do by Trotsky's ten-day ultimatum.

2. That the allies can heretofore revolve only around the question of

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## SNOW GALE STRIKES WEST; STOPS TRAINS

### Suffering Reported in Chicago and Other Cities.

Chicago, Jan. 11.—Chicago, the Middle West and Southern States, but partly recovered from the blizzard and snowstorm of last week, was today struck by the severest snow gale in history. From the Gulf States to Canada along the Mississippi Valley a forty-mile gale is raging, accompanied by extreme temperatures ranging from 5 to 21 degrees below zero and causing unprecedented suffering.

Railroad traffic and wire communication crippled.

Fuel shortage prevails everywhere in the storm district, some towns being without lights tonight. The suffering was particularly severe in towns in the South and Southwest. New Orleans reported snow for the first time since 1892, with a temperature of 5 degrees above zero, the coldest on record. The city was cut off from the world for twelve hours, all wires being down. Nashville, Chattanooga and Jackson, Tenn., reported temperatures accompanying the gale falling from 5 above, with the mercury falling. In Memphis business was suspended and department stores closed.

Tulsa, in the heart of the oil and gas field, was without fuel and the suffering was reported to be increasing hourly. The gas pressure was so low the stoves could not be lighted.

Over Kentucky all traffic was tied up and the river was blocked by ice, making transportation of fuel impossible.

A Missouri and Pacific passenger train is stuck in an eight-foot cut in the snow near Kansas City. Many women were among the passengers.

In central Illinois farmers are snowbound on their farms, ten inches of fall being recorded. Local trains are eight hours behind schedule.

Chicago was tonight put on coal ration by the fuel administration.

## HUNS OUSTED FROM DUGOUTS

### Italians Report Success in Attack on Enemy Near Piave.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald and New York Tribune.  
London, Jan. 11.—Before the concentrated artillery fire of the Italian batteries on the northern front the Austro-Germans have been compelled to evacuate some of the trench elements west of Cavaschurina, between the Piave and Brenta Rivers, it was announced by the Home War office today. As the enemy forces retreated from their positions they were caught under a destructive fire from rifles and machine guns and sustained heavy losses, the statement adds.

Aside from this action, fighting during yesterday was confined chiefly to aerial operations, in which the Anglo-Italian forces scored important successes. A squadron of British planes attacked a group of seven hostile machines early in the day and brought four of them crashing to earth without suffering any losses themselves, according to an official communique issued today. In addition to this, the Italian statement reports the downing of three other machines, one by a British flier.

Raid Continued.  
Petain's troops continued today their raids in the enemy's lines for purposes of reconnaissance. In the Argonne, at Courte Chausse, and in the Vosges, near Blimery, incursions into the front line trenches of the Germans brought prisoners and booty into the hands of the French troops.

The only action reported on the British front was said by the German press to be a raid by the British easily repulsed, according to Haig's communique. The duel of the big guns attained especial intensity east of Vimy Ridge, scene of the Canadians' memorable victory. The British easily repulsed the German attacks. On Wednesday, Paris reports, two German airplanes were brought down by French fliers in aerial combats.

Soldier Accidentally Killed.  
Dover, N. J., Jan. 11.—Henry Hucker, a private in the Coast Artillery Corps, was accidentally killed today in the barracks at the Picatinny Arsenal.

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## FORMER MRS. ASTOR ENTERS HOSPITAL

### Mrs. W. M. Dick Ill. Patient at Johns Hopkins.

Baltimore, Md., Jan. 11.—Mrs. Wm. M. Dick, formerly Mrs. John Jacob Astor, is a patient at the Johns Hopkins Hospital. Her condition is said not to be serious and she may not have to undergo an operation. She is being attended by Dr. Lewellyn F. Barker.

Mrs. Dick arrived in Baltimore last night with her husband, Dr. H. M. Biggs, of New York, and a trainee nurse. She entered the hospital today.

When Mrs. Astor, whose first husband lost his life in the Titanic disaster, married Mr. Dick, she sacrificed a trust fund of \$5,000,000 and the big Astor mansion on Fifth avenue. Mrs. Dick, before her marriage, was Miss Madeline Talmadge Force, of Brooklyn.

Called to Colors While  
Listening to Sec. Baker

That old God of War, Mars, stalked right into the Senate Military Committee today. While Secretary Baker was testifying, Thomas Martin Daniel, the clerk of the committee, sat listening.

A messenger walked in and handed Mr. Daniel a large, official-looking envelope.

"Huh, it's come!" he said. It was his draft notice.

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## SEDS TEARS OVER MAN SHE IS SUING

### Manda Tweed Moved When Law- yer Attacks Former Swain.

Phila., Jan. 11.—Not the least extraordinary thing about the extraordinary "alcum kist" breach of promise suit which has spun its saccharine strands in Judge Staake's court two tempestuous days, is the fact that yesterday Manda Tweed actually shed tears for the man she has thrust into the most unwelcome limelight.

The case continues this morning. Miss Tweed wants \$5,000 from Clarence Sylvester as damages; she wanted to hurt him, if possible, as much as he hurt her, and yet when she saw him on the rack her fury faltered for the moment.

"Isn't it dreadful, the things he has to sit there and hear the lawyers—even his own lawyer—say of him?" she said, with sudden tears in her blue eyes. "I pity him—I honestly do. He's got everything to lose in this. I have nothing to lose."

Miss Tweed added that she had not known of Sylvester's second marriage till yesterday, and that she was through with men. "If I ever marry," she said, "it will be to satisfy my mother with the thought that somebody's taking care of me after her death."

Fire Causes \$750,000 Loss.  
Winnipeg, Man., Jan. 11.—A \$750,000 fire today while the thermometer registered 20 degrees below zero, destroyed the Edgerton store and office buildings.

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## CALL WILSON 'WIRE PULLER'

### Huns Can't See Any Peace in President's Latest Proposals.

Amsterdam, Jan. 11.—Commenting on President Wilson's war aim address to Congress Tuesday, the Norddeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung, of Berlin, says: "The fourteen points do not form a program for world peace, but a real symphony of will to peace. Beginning with his joyful fanfare of freedom of the seas and other things, on which the whole world is agreed, even if diversity of opinion exists regarding the method of realization, Mr. Wilson's intervention is not wanted. Having the opportunity of serving peace, he has clearly expressed a contrary intention."

"Appealing to the self-determination of nations he presumes to interfere in the internal affairs of Austria-Hungary and proclaims the policy of doing violence to nations with disregard for all historical and racial facts."

"With equal nonchalance, he finds reason for the partition of Turkey, which as could only be voiced by a man whose policy aims at playing off one against another, of peoples and parts of peoples who belong together and are conscious of their homogeneity."

The Cologne Volkszeitung says: "President Wilson's program substantially squares with Lloyd George's. It is as unacceptable for us as the British. It is more brutal still than that of Lloyd George. He demands the severance from the German empire of Alsace-Lorraine, which is nine-tenths inhabited by Germans. He undignifiedly demands the severance from the empire of parts of Prussia inhabited by the Poles."

Leaders of the suffrage cause, many of whom were in the lobby during the debate, did not conceal their joy.

Miss Christabel Pankhurst said: "The vote will be used for the national good, first, for promoting social reform; second, for stimulating national defense, and, third, for disciplining democracy."

Miss Pankhurst added that the women of Great Britain now had only one idea, namely, to assure victory for the allies.

Snowstorm Hits Gotham.  
New York, Jan. 11.—A snowstorm, accompanied by northwest winds, which threatened to seriously interfere with the efforts to relieve the fuel shortage began at 8 o'clock tonight and the streets were soon covered. There was every indication that the storm would last for some hours. The Weather Bureau predicted clear and colder weather for tomorrow.